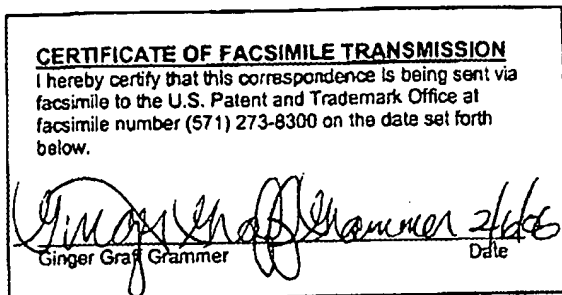


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 6, 2005 in the above-identified application, Applicants respond as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

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